GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4929
ANSWERED ON:25.04.2013
FREIGHT INCENTIVE SCHEME
Gutha Shri Sukender Reddy

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various freight incentive schemes being adopted by the Railways;

(b) whether the said schemes have yielded positive results for the Railways and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Railways have received any request from the cement companies and public representatives in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken thereon by the Railways?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY)

(a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4929 BY SHRI GUTHA SUKHENDER REDDY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 25-04-2013 REGARDING FREIGHT INCENTIVE SCHEME

(a): The slew of Freight Incentive Schemes presently in operation includes:

(i) Incentive Scheme for Traditional Empty Flow Direction;

(ii) Incentive Scheme for Loading Bagged consignments in Open & Flat wagons;

(iii) Incentive Scheme for Freight Forwarders; and

(iv) Incentive Scheme for Incremental Traffic.

(b): Freight Incentive Schemes have performed to the satisfaction of both rail users as well as Indian Railways as detailed below:

Year	Freight Earning	Concession allowed (Rs. in crores)	(Rs. in crores)
2010-11	4155.79	152.19	
2011-12	5963.90	220.60	
2012-13 (up to December, 2012)		5609.26	190.47

(c) & (d): Established mechanisms for interacting on an on-going basis with major customers, including the association of cement companies, is in place on Railways. In pursuance of issues highlighted during such interactions, some of the steps taken recently include enlargement of the list of two-point/multi-point combinations, allowing 'mini' rake loading for distance up to 500 Kilometers, extending the benefit of Incentive Scheme for Incremental Traffic to new sidings established under Liberalized Siding Rules, etc.